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REMARKS

Reconsideration of the application in view of the present amendment is respectfully requested.

Claims 1, 6, 16-27, 32, and 35-41 are canceled. Claims 2-5, 7-15, 28-31, and 33-34 are canceled, and add new claims 42-60 in their place. Accordingly, claims 42-60 are pending.

The Office Action states that claims 2-5, 7-15, 28-31, and 33-34 are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. As mentioned, claims 2-5, 7-15, 28-31, and 33-34 are canceled, and new claims 42-60 are added in their place. It is believed that each of claims 42-60 is in condition for allowance.

In view of the foregoing, it is submitted that the application is in condition for allowance, and allowance of the application is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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